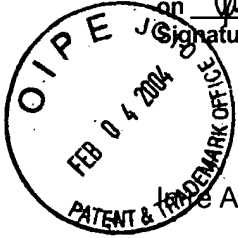


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Serial No: 10/736,012)
Docket: B99-031C)
For: Low Growth Power Transmission Belt)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, Applicant hereby
submits a Statement in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97-1.98

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While it is believed that the payment of fees under 37 CFR 1.17(p) is not required for
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STATEMENT

While it is believed that a statement under 37 CFR 1.97(e) is not required for
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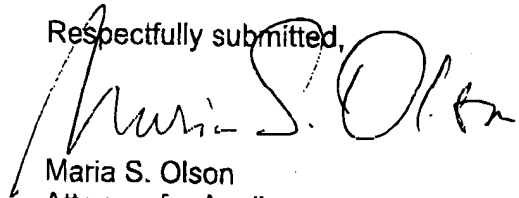
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The Examiner is respectfully requested to give consideration to the references listed on Form PTO-A820/1449 attached hereto, provide his/her initials on such form upon review of the references, and to make these references of record in the file wrapper of the present application.

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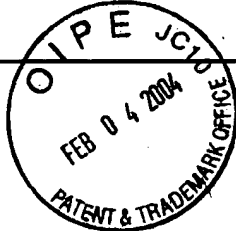
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